

ALCEDO CÆRULEA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum trigonum, crassum, rectum, longum.

Lingua carnosâ, brevissima, plana, acuta.

Pedes gressorii *plerisque*.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 178.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

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Latb. ind. orn. p. 249.

ISPIDA INDICA torquata.

Bris. 4. p. 481. t. 37. f. 2. A.

In India innascitur Alcedo cærulea, Alcedinem Europæam seu Ispidam magnitudine superans: caput

E

dorsum-

dorsumque vestiunt pennæ cæruleæ splendidissimæ;
alarum tectrices minores uropygiumque pulchre vi-
rent; pectus et abdomen rufescunt; rostrum pedes-
que nigricant.



THE
WHITE-COLLARED KINGFISHER.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill trigonal, thick, strait, long, sharp-pointed.

Tongue fleshy, very short, flat, sharp-pointed.

Feet (in most species) grefforial.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

BLUE KINGFISHER, rufous beneath, with green shoulders and rump, a white collar round the neck, and a white streak over the eyes.

WHITE-COLLARED KINGFISHER.

Lath. syn. p. 620.

The white-collared Kingfisher is a native of India: in size it exceeds the common or European Kingfisher: the head and back are of a rich and beautiful blue: the shoulder-feathers or smaller wing-coverts and the rump of a bright green: the breast and abdomen rufous; the bill and feet dusky.